La Center High School
May 17, 2012

Curriculum – Hats off to our Life Skills students! They did a fantastic job with the Flower and Plant Sale. Students in the class learned about inventory, marketing, and sales. They were able to connect many of the life skills to this event, demonstrating personal interactions with others, helping select items to sell, load and unload plants and group the plants for sale. Students also brought the coffee cart to the commons to sell coffees to the public. This even was well supported by the staff and community.

The Master Schedule is completed for next year and students have successfully signed up for their classes. Schedules will be distributed next week and at the upcoming 9th grade Orientation.

The Social Studies department is adding a semester of Civics as part of the freshman requirements for the Class of 2016. Global Studies is moved from a full year to a semester. This adjustment is in preparation for the new state requirements for Social Studies.

Choir, Band and Jazz Band will have an opportunity May 24 – 27 to take their talents on the road! The groups are going on tour to San Franscico. On the way down there, they are stopping at the University of Oregon's music department for a workshop with professors from the two departments: choir and band. Then off to the Heritage Music Festival where they will compete in the festival. We wish them a successful trip.

Athletics & Activities- Baseball finished second in our league which qualified them to play in the district tournament on May 8th. Unfortunately, they didn't make it past the first day but the team and coaches have high expectations for next spring!

Fast pitch softball finished their season 2 games shy of making it to the district tournament.

Boys soccer had a great second half of the season rally to qualify for the district play-in game. They won that game but were eliminated in the first round of districts.

Girls golf played very well at districts. All four ladies made it to the second day and team finished third overall. Lindsie Snyder and Heather Haasl will represent our district at the state tournament in Dupont on May 22nd and 23rd.

Boys golf will be sending Zach Brown and Derick Rivers to the state tournament on May 22nd and 23rd.

Track had a great showing at Sub-Districts. The girls took first and the boys took second. We are taking 26 athletes on to districts in Kalama on May 18th.

Equestrian sent the following ladies to state this year: Kristen Nye, Katelyn Eckert, Heather Haasl, Ashley Hebert, Tessa Littlefield
No placers but great accomplishment.

Music department held its first Chili Jazz Night fund raiser which was a huge success. The kids were able to raise $1,800 for the program.

The prom sponsored by the class of 2013 was held at Oaks Park and went off without a hitch. Prom was well attended and the kids had a great time.

The Science Club took a field trip to NW Trek. The students and advisor really enjoyed their experience.

Teachers – We are pleased to announce that Mr. Bob Hill, science teacher, received the grant from the FDA/NSTA to fully fund his expenses to a week-long workshop in Washington D. C. this summer regarding the new class he is teaching this fall on 'Food Science.' Mr. Hill was one of twelve applicants that received this grant from a nationwide pool of applicant. Bob will bring back additional material and ideas to implement into the Food Science course. The grant also covers his expenses to attend the national science convention in California next year. In addition Bob will present a workshop to our science teachers regarding the data he has collected throughout the school year, information on the class and relate how it ties in to the K-12 science curriculum.

Students- Congratulations to a job well done by the cast of "The Birds!"

Mr. Don Landes-McCullough once again shared his amazing talents with our students, by writing the script, music and recording all the sound tracks for the show. The students made over 50 puppets for the show and learned valuable skills with this production. Great job!

The Student Led Conferences went well. Our students shared the progress made throughout the year to their parents and guests. It is a joy to see our students take these conferences seriously, by dressing appropriately, presenting their academic goals, work samples and career exploration. Students also shared their personal interests and/or achievements which validates their personal successes. Thank you to our board members able to attend and support our students. It is very exciting to see students explain their learning and growth over the course of the year.

Students from Women Studies 2 have done an outstanding job providing information and awareness regarding the tragic issue of Sex Trafficking. Bulletin boards, posters and classroom visits on the topic were presented to our student body this past week. They also organized an evening presentation on Sex Trafficking Awareness that was presented to the public. Representatives from the Shared Hope Foundation were also present to answer questions.

Upcoming Events
Band/Choir Concert – June 4 at 7:00 PM
Moving Up Assembly – June 5 at 2:15 PM
Freshman Orientation and BBQ for Class of 2016 – June 5 at 5:00 PM
Luau – June 6 at 5:00
Senior Awards – June 7 at 7:00 PM in the HS Commons
Senior Breakfast – June 8 at 9:30 AM at the Community Center
Graduation – June 9 at 7:00 PM in the HS Gym

Respectfully submitted,

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